



October 21, 2009

The Honorable Gerald Van Woerkom  
Chairman – Senate Agriculture and Bioeconomy Committee  
State Capitol  
P.O. Box 30036  
Lansing, MI 48909-7536

Re: Executive Order No. 2009-45- Appointment of Director of Agriculture.

Dear Senator Van Woerkom:

The Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce agrees that the selection of the Director of Agriculture should remain with the Agriculture Commission as stated in Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 24. Now is not the time to remove the powers of the commission. This is a time where transparency, accountability and citizen involvement are needed in state government.

On behalf of our membership, the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce supports your endeavors in maintaining the selection powers of the Agriculture Commission.

Sincerely,

Douglas Luciani  
President & CEO

cc: Senator Jason Allen